## HIRAM PEASE LOOMIS

Hiram Pease Loomis was the fifth of seven children born to Reuben and Sarah Westland Loomis. He was born December 9, 1819, in Pleasant Mt., Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania; he died August 27, 1900, in Clinton Township. He is buried in Clinton Cemetery, Clinton, Pa.

At the age of 29, Hiram Loomis purchased a farm in Clinton Township which he successfully operated for several years. He spent three years in Felton, Delaware. Then for one and one-half years, he engaged in the merchantile business in Carbondale. Removing his business interests to Alderville, he continued merchandising for five years. He then returned to the old homestead in Wayne County where he owned 250 acres of valuable and well improved land. In 1876, he had erected a beautiful residence. A valuable saw-mill on his farm was burned in 1896 and was a total loss. Hiram Loomis was well informed and was of a quiet retiring nature. He was a deacon in the Clinton Center Baptist Church. He held church and township offices.

Hiram Pease Loomis was nearly six feet in height and weighed about two hundred pounds. He had rather deeply set eyes, shaggy brows, well trimmed whiskers, and dark hair.

On May 20, 1846, Hiram Pease Loomis was married to Laura Griswold, at Aldenville, Pa. They had four children all born in Clinton, Pa.:

1. Theron Orsemus b Feb. 25, 1848; d Nov. 26, 1911
2. Oliver Grove b Aug. 16, 1857; d Apr. 23, 1862
3. Helen Annette b Feb. 21, 1860; d Nov. 17, 1860
4. Francis Earl b Dec. 17, 1861; d Sept. 30, 1921

## THERON ORSEMUS LOOMIS

Theron Orsemus Loomis was the first of four children born to Hiram Pease and Laura Griswold Loomis. He was born Feb. 25, 1848. in Clinton, Pa.; he died Nov. 26, 1911, in Carbondale, Pa.

Theron Loomis had a good education. He attended Franklin Institute, New York, for one year, possibly two. He was a farmer. When twenty-one years of age, he suffered intensely for six months with inflammato-ry rheumatism and had chronic rheumatism the remainder of his life. He was also asthmatic and because of this, had to discontinue farming and live where pollens were fewer. In 1887, he moved from Clinton Twp. to Carbondale. He worked several years for the New York, Ontario, and Western Railway Company, then for the remaining years for the Hendrick Mfg. Company in the freight department.

Theron Loomis was home loving and very fond of his family. He had a fine sense of humor, was witty, had a strong will power, not easily persuaded, possessed intense feelings whether of sympathy, affection, dislike. He was fond of mathematics. He loved beauty. Heenjoyed nature,